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6 BILL NO. R-84-08-17

7 RESOLUTION NO. R-106-84

8 A Resolution of the Common Council of the
9 City of Fort Wayne appropriating monies
10 for equipment to expand public access
cable television production

11 WHEREAS, the Common Council has the power by
12 resolution, over expenditures from the cable system franchise
13 fees which are deposited in a special revolving fund to be
14 used for cable system related expenses; and,

15 WHEREAS, the Common Council supports the continued
16 use of public access television channels and encourages
17 continued growth; and,

18 WHEREAS, Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne's Learning
19 Resource Center has presented Common Council with a proposal
20 to expand their capabilities to develop educational
21 programming; and,

22 WHEREAS, the Allen County Public Library has presented
23 Common Council with a proposal to expand and improve the
24 technical quality and variety of programs produced in the
25 public access studio at the Library.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL
27 OF THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA:

28 SECTION 1. The cost of expanding the IPFW system
29 shall be \$29,050.00.
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SECTION 2. The cost of improvements for the public access studio at the Allen County Public Library shall be \$44,649.00.

SECTION 3. That this expenditure for equipment to expand the capabilities of IPFW and the Allen County Public Library's public access cable production shall be made from the special revolving fund heretofore established for deposit of cable television franchise fees.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon passage and approval by the Mayor.

Janet H. Bradbury
Councilmember

Approved as to form and legality

Stanley A. Levine
Stanley A. Levine, Council Attorney

Payment of the sums referred to in
this resolution may only be paid upon the
appropriation.

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ENHANCEMENTS TO THE PUBLIC ACCESS

CAPABILITY OF THE FORT WAYNE CABLE SYSTEM

Since the beginning of operation in early 1981, public access on the Fort Wayne cable system has been a success. The Allen County Public Library, under a contract with Cox Cable Fort Wayne, has supplied the studio, equipment, staff, and organizational opportunity for successful public access as part of its informational and educational mission in the community.

The community response has been outstanding. In 1981, 444 programs were produced by the public access producers in the studio. This total grew to 655 programs in 1982, 687 in 1983, and is expected to total 750 in 1984. In addition, substantial numbers of programs produced by the community outside the public access facility are aired on the access channel.

The financial and organizational commitments of the Allen County Public Library and Cox Cable Fort Wayne have made public access a success. In contrast to most cable systems, where public access is extremely marginal or non-existent, the Fort Wayne system enjoys a high degree of visibility, autonomy, and excellence.

The need for additional investment in equipment for the public access enterprise is growing. As the sophistication of public access producers increases, staff and volunteer technical capabilities grow, and the existing equipment becomes more aged, several areas of investment present themselves as areas of need. The remainder of this document describes four distinct areas of need, in which the Allen County Public Library believes investment of cable franchise fee funds would improve the capability and flexibility of the studio and would enhance the opportunities for public access available to the community.

1. There is a need to improve the technical quality of the playback signal and to isolate the playback, record, and edit functions so that all three may be carried on at the same time. New playback decks and additional signal test equipment will permit more flexible scheduling of studio use, cablecast, editing, and staff time and will allow for increases in studio and portapac production and in cablecast time.
2. There is a need to improve some basic studio capabilities to enable producers to create programs with a more varied, professional "look" and help ensure uninterrupted operation of the studio. Needs in this area include an additional studio camera, microphones, and materials for set construction to increase and expand production capabilities.
3. Additional portapac capability is another area of need. We are placing increased emphasis on portapac production, both to relieve the heavy demands on the studio and to encourage more varied types of programming. Equipment needs in this area include camera and recorders with lighting, tripods, power batteries, and carrying cases.

4. Finally, enhanced effects-generation equipment would help to extend the capabilities of the studio. As producers develop more sophistication and wish to go beyond talk show and simple music formats, a more capable character generator, a computer graphics capability, and a titler devoted full time to the editing function would enable the creativity of public access producers to come forward, drawing, we believe, larger audiences to programs which would have a more varied flavor.

The items of equipment we would intend to purchase are listed on the attached sheet, grouped into the general areas described above. Specific brand and model numbers are listed for illustrative purposes only, as equivalent to the levels of quality and capability we would like to purchase.

All of the above areas of enhancements are beyond the capabilities of the Allen County Public Library at this time. We will continue to replace basic equipment needs to keep the studio operating at current levels, but the major commitments to staffing and operating the studio, which are only partially supported by the Cox Cable lease payments to the Allen County Public Library, prevent the substantial additional capital investments which these enhancements would require.

<u>Equipment Item</u>	<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Price Ea.</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Sony V O-5600 recorder/player	2	\$2395.00	\$4790.00
Leader LVS-5850 Vector scope	1	2000.00	2000.00
Leader LBO-5860 Waveform monitor	1	2000.00	2000.00
Sony CVM 1270 12" Test monitor	1	750.00	750.00
Panasonic NV8950 Slo Mo VHS Player	1	1995.00	1995.00
Audio Graphics graphic equalizer	1	324.00	324.00
Shure M67 Audio mixer	2	440.00	880.00
JVC B R 4000 VHS editor	1	1785.00	1785.00
Monitors	4	625.00	2500.00
Set Construction	1	2000.00	2000.00
Shure conference mic.	1	265.00	265.00
JVC KY 210 Camera	1	6600.00	6600.00
Colortran Mini-pro MkII Light Kit	2	815.00	1630.00
Panasonic WV 3150/NV8420 Portable camera/recorder	2	2195.00	4290.00
Cine 60 battery belts 6307	2	375.00	750.00
Bogen Universal Fluid portable tripod	2	380.00	760.00
Portabrace Portapac cases for camera and deck	4	65.00	260.00
Chyron Vp-1 Character Generator	1	5300.00	5300.00
Apple IIe Computer W/Adwar card	1	3300.00	3300.00
Shintron 505 Cg titler	1	2470.00	2470.00

\$44649.00

Preliminary Grant Proposal
Cable Channel 23:
Educational Programming Development

The purpose of this brief is to explain the need for funding to upgrade the equipment available to Cable Channel 23. Cable Channel 23, the college access station, originates on the campus of Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne and provides cable access to the campus and other area colleges. IPFW's Learning Resource Center (LRC), which was recently assigned responsibility for the Channel's non-academic programming, is currently studying ways to develop educational programming. The LRC intends to acquire appropriate pre-packaged educational programs which are free or relatively inexpensive. To supplement these pre-packaged programs, IPFW plans to produce some local programming, tentative examples of which are listed below (Except as noted, an LRC staff member will oversee the production of these programs with the technical assistance of qualified students.):

1. A weekly "Science Bowl" wherein area high school students would respond to science questions put to them by a panel of IPFW faculty.

The competition among high schools would conclude at the end of each semester with a "champion" being selected and appropriately honored. This program would increase public awareness of science education and would stimulate student interest in science-related fields.

2. A bi-monthly program designed to assist the public in learning how to access higher education.

These half-hour programs would cover such topics as "How to Select a College," "How to Choose a Major," "How to Improve your Study Skills," and "How to Prepare a Resume".

3. Lectures, recitals, plays, concerts, convocations, and other major events taking place at the campus.
4. Feature stories and college news shows produced by students and recognized student groups, under the direction of a faculty advisor.
5. Athletic events, featuring games of the IPFW women's and men's basketball and volleyball teams, on a live and taped basis.

Use of the Channel by local colleges and universities other than IPFW is encouraged. DataCaster announcements are forwarded by Fort Wayne Bible College, St. Francis College, and other local institutions of higher education for placement on the Channel. All local institutions of higher education can have videocassettes played on the Channel, and arrangements for IPFW TV Studio time can also be made. The IPFW TV Studio facilities are also open to area TV producers and groups other than those affiliated with higher education, in cooperation with IPFW. Availability of the IPFW TV Studio in the fashion just described effectively offers additional production and playback time and capability to those TV producers, both in and out of higher education oriented settings in the northeast Indiana area, an opportunity to better meet needs for higher education in the region.

In order to do this kind of programming, it is necessary that the equipment in the campus television studio be upgraded to cable quality. Presently, the studio is used primarily for instructional purposes and academic courses. Some relatively minor enhancements will result in major improvements, improvements which are crucial if educational programming for the general public is to be carried over Channel 23.

The attached itemized budget lists the basic investment which would be necessary in order to solve these problems and produce the kind of programming described above. Because of the many pressing needs of the campus for academic priorities, funding for this investment must be sought from outside sources.

2 - color television cameras -- Sony DXC1800 or similar with cables, carrying cases, standard 6:1 lenses, shoulder braces, battery holders, and light kits.	\$ 5,400
1 - production switcher -- Cross-Latch, 3M or similar.	6,000
1 - portable 3/4" video recorder -- Sony V04800 or similar	2,400
3 - 19" monitor/receivers -- Sony PVM1900 or similar	2,170
1 - battery charger -- Sony BC1000 or similar.	400
8 - batteries -- Sony BP60 or similar.	480
1 - editor -- Sony 3/4" or similar ensemble.	11,000
2 - monitor/receivers -- Sony 12" CVM1270 or similar	<u>1,200</u>
	\$29,050

Read the first time in full and on motion by Bradbury, seconded by Stier, and duly adopted, read the second time by title and referred to the Committee Regulations (and the City Plan Commission for recommendation) and Public Hearing to be held after due legal notice, at the Council Chambers, City-County Building, Fort Wayne, Indiana, on _____, the _____ day of _____, 19____, at _____ o'clock _____ .M., E.S.

DATE: 8-14-84

Sandra E. Kennedy
SANDRA E. KENNEDY, CITY CLERK

Read the third time in full and on motion by Bradbury, seconded by Stier, and duly adopted, placed on its passage. PASSED (~~LOST~~) by the following vote:

	<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAINED</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>TO-WIT:</u>
<u>TOTAL VOTES</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	_____	<u>1</u>	_____
<u>BRADBURY</u>	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<u>BURNS</u>	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<u>EISBART</u>	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<u>GiaQUINTA</u>	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<u>HENRY</u>	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<u>REDD</u>	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<u>SCHMIDT</u>	_____	_____	_____	<u>✓</u>	_____
<u>STIER</u>	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<u>TALARICO</u>	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____

DATE: 9-11-84

Sandra E. Kennedy
SANDRA E. KENNEDY, CITY CLERK

Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, as (ANNEXATION) (APPROPRIATION) (GENERAL) (SPECIAL) (ZONING MAP) ORDINANCE (RESOLUTION) NO. 9-106-84 on the 11th day of September, 1984,

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Sandra E. Kennedy
SANDRA E. KENNEDY, CITY CLERK

Ray A. E. Bors
PRESIDING OFFICER

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, on the 12th day of September, 1984, at the hour of 11:30 o'clock A. .M., E.S.T.

Sandra E. Kennedy
SANDRA E. KENNEDY, CITY CLERK

Approved and signed by me this 14th day of September, 1984, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock P. .M., E.S.T.

Payment of fees referred to in this ordinance may only be paid upon the appropriation.

Win Moses, Jr.
WIN MOSES, JR., MAYOR

BILL NO. R-84-08-17

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REGULATIONS

WE, YOUR COMMITTEE ON REGULATIONS TO WHOM WAS REFERRED AN
~~ORDINANCE~~ XXXXXXX A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Fort
Wayne appropriating monies for equipment to expand public access
cable television production

HAVE HAD SAID ORDINANCE UNDER CONSIDERATION AND BEG LEAVE TO REPORT
BACK TO THE COMMON COUNCIL THAT SAID ORDINANCE DO PASS.

JANET G. BRADBURY, CHAIRWOMAN

Janet G. Bradbury

SAMUEL J. TALARICO, VICE CHAIRMAN

Samuel J. Talarico

CHARLES B. REDD

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MARK E. GIAQUINTA

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JAMES S. STIER

CONCURRED IN 8-28-84
SANDRA E. KENNEDY, CITY CLERK